

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the specification as follows:

Please delete Comparative Example 9 starting at page 66, line 21 and ending at page 67, line 12, of the specification.

COMPARATIVE EXAMPLE 9

~~—— To 3,000 g of ion exchange water was added 160 g of montmorillonite, and it was mixed with stirring at 5,000 rpm for five minutes by using a wet mill made by Nippon-Seiki Co., Ltd. Thereto was added 16 g of γ -(2-aminoethyl) aminopropyl trimethoxysilane (A-1120 available from Nippon-Unicar Co., Ltd.), followed by further stirring for two hours to prepare a dispersion. Next, a reactor was charged with the above dispersion and 3,000 g of BHET, and water was removed with stirring at 100 to 150°C. After removing water, temperature of the system was elevated gradually. When it reached about 220 to 240°C, 7.0 g of AO6O and 0.6 g of Sb_2O_3 were added and the temperature was further elevated at 280°C. After heating, the system was depressurized (0.5 to 5.0 torr (0.0665 to 0.665MPa)), followed by meltpolycondensation to prepare a resin composition. When color tone of the resin was visually evaluated in comparison with that of the polyester resin composition prepared in Example 1, the specimen remarkably took on brown because a silane compound was used in Comparative Example 9. No such coloration was observed in the specimen of Example 1. Results are shown in Table 4.~~